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THE COMING EVENT.

The Phoenix Indian and Cowboy Carnival and Merchants Street Fair.

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The Carnival Association, and by this is meant almost every citizen of Phoenix, have determined to do things this year in no half measures. They have enlisted for the first time the entire co-operation of the ladies and organized a woman's department. This department comprises committees of women on Queen's coronation ceremonies, the selection of the Queen and her court, decorating the Queen's throne; a beautiful ribbon parade; baby show and baby coach parade; childrens' fancy dances and cake walks; a masked ball and reception to distinguished visitors. In all there are several hundred women at work making a success of the carnival.

The Queen, her gracious majesty, has been chosen and not by the sordid method of balloting. While this would have been a source of revenue to the fair, yet it was thought best to name the Queen and furnish her and her entire court with costumes, carriages and everything complete.

Mrs. B. N. Pratt, one of the most charming and gracious young women of Phoenix, whose social position is unquestioned, whose beauty is acknowledged by all, has been chosen Queen for the 1900 Phoenix Carnival. Mrs. Pratt will have for her immediate ladies in waiting Mrs. J. E. Barkley

and Mrs. Anell Martin.

Six charming young ladies will be selected as her maids of honor, eight gentlemen of the court, a prime minister, master of ceremonies, court jester, pages, heralds, equerries and other characters will sustain the promise of the management to make the court ceremonials gorgeous and beautiful.

On Second avenue and Main street will be erected the Queen's throne whereon she will reign with her court throughout the entire carnival. For special functions, such as the races, cowboy sports, official carnival ball and baby shows, the Queen will be taken from the throne in a carriage and will preside thereof.

Naturally, next to the Queen and her court come to the various parades pageants and cowboy sports.

In the way of parades the opening one will be the industrial, military and civic parade with floats, marching organizations, cowboys, Indians, equestrians and other features, and it will be of considerable length and importance and the opening of the carnival.

On different mornings thereafter the Indians and cowboys will give their dashes through the town, keeping up the carnival spirit and giving the tourists and easterners an idea of wild life in the southwest.

On Wednesday will be Elks' day and Elks' parade of the Horribles and their big cake walk will be free to the public and given before the Queen and her court.

On Thursday morning the event for the bicyclers and their admirers and friends in the form of a 15-mile road